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MEMORANDUM FOR THE EXECUTIVE FOR INSPECTION AND SECURITY

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Subject: Changes in SO [redacted]

1. This will confirm our conversation this date regarding the changes in SO Directive #18 as pertains to the Security Branch, OSO.

2. I have concurred in the change in paragraph J. which will permit the files of OSO staff personnel to be retained in the [redacted] [redacted] of I&S because it eliminates certain clerical functions within OSO. In concurring, I have disregarded the recommendations of the Chief, Security Branch, OSO, who feels he will be handicapped by not having the files immediately at his disposal. This action has been taken in the interests of cooperation and in order to give the system a fair trial.

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3. However, I wish to emphasize our agreement that none of the files on OSO personnel will be made available to anyone other than the Director, Deputy Director, Executive to the Director, Executive for I&S, and the Chief, Security Branch, OSO. Observance of this is of the utmost importance to the Office of Special Operations.

4. It is, of course, understood that any security inquiries or actions on personnel of OSO will be brought to my personal attention.

(Signed)

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